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Dear Sir:

The undersigned attorney certifies that the references cited in the accompanying prior art statement came to the attention of the Applicants by citation in a European Search Report on a European patent application claiming priority from this application. This European Search Report was dated January 10, 2005, which is less than three months from the date of filing of this Prior Art Statement.

The Applicants respectfully petition for consideration of this prior art statement under 37 CFR 1.97(c).

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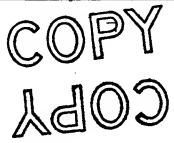
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The following figure will be published together with the abstract:

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